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The reply filed 11-13-01 (Paper No. 6) is not fully respons action (restriction) mailed 9/27/01(Paper NO. 4) because of the or matter(s):applicant has not elected a single group. Instead ap groups I-XXIII. It is noted that each of said groups is drawn to a MHC class II molecule (DR3 or DR4) and a distinct peptide epitol although each of these 23 recited short peptide epitopes which c acids maximum, are derived from the 65,000 Dalton GAD moleculary non overlapping, biochemically distinct epitopes, each of which, NDR3 or DR4 as recited in the instant claims, will be recognized by receptor, and as such, may effect distinct immunological processe group consists of a patentably distinct complex, essentially for the stated in the restriction requirement, mailed 9/27/01.

It is also noted that this application contains sequence disc encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid s 37 CFR 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). However, this application fails to co requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825 for the reason(s) set forth o To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures. Specificall lacking SEQ ID NO: tags are disclosed in Figures I and II, and themselves, nor the description of said figures contain SEQ ID Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules 1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §§







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Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE EXTENDABLE MONTH, from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME LIMIT MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amy DeCloux whose telephone number is (703) 306-5821. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. A message may be left on the examiner's voice mail service. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christina Chan can be reached on (703) 308-3973. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center 1600 receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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Amy DeCloux, Ph.D. Patent Examiner Art Unit 1644 January 7, 2001

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The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

	 This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to these regulations, published at 1114 OG 29, May 15, 1990 and at 55 FR 18230, May 1, 1990.
	2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
	3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
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	5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
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